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Oceans and the law of the sea: oceans and the law of the sea

Letter dated 21 November 2012 from the Permanent Representatives of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Missions of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia to the United Nations present their compliments to the Secretary-General and have the honour to inform him that Iranian military vessels have carried out repeated acts of aggression and trespass into the waters of the submerged zone adjacent to the divided zone between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia (the submerged divided zone), over which those two States have exclusive sovereign rights. Most recently, three armed speed boats flying the Iranian flag crossed into the submerged Kuwaiti-Saudi zone adjacent to the divided zone at 7.30 a.m. on Friday, 24 August 2012. They stopped near drilling rig ID30 for several minutes before proceeding towards the vessel assisting the rig. Such actions could lead to confrontations endangering peace and security in the region.

It is well known that Kuwait and Saudi Arabia have exclusive sovereign rights to explore and exploit hydrocarbon resources in the Al-Durra field and the submerged divided zone.

The Governments of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia have on several occasions strongly protested and deplored those repeated acts of aggression and trespass. They demand that the Islamic Republic of Iran put an end to those actions in order to preserve their interests, respect their rights and maintain security and stability in the region.

The Governments of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia have asked the Islamic Republic of Iran for negotiations to delimit the maritime boundaries between the submerged divided zone and the waters of the Islamic Republic of Iran in accordance with international law. However, despite repeated appeals, the Governments of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia have yet to receive a response.

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The Permanent Missions of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia request that the Secretary-General circulate this letter as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 75 (a).

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Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

First performance report on the budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2012-2013

Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The first performance report on the budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2012-2013 is submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/238.

As reflected in section II of the present report, the total amount of $188,279,300 gross for revised estimates takes into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates. On this basis, the revised estimates reflect an increase of $15.7 million, net of staff assessment, over the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

It will be recalled that, in the context of the regular budget, the General Assembly, in its resolution 66/246, decided to defer consideration of post-related recosting for inflation and exchange rate projections to the first performance report on the budget for the biennium 2012-2013, in order to ensure appropriation of post-related costs in line with actual expenditure experience. Post-related recosting was similarly deferred pursuant to resolution 66/238, as detailed in the annex thereto. Accordingly, section III of the present report indicates a total amount of $182,163,600 gross for revised estimates, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and the deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates. On that basis, the revised estimates reflect an increase of $10 million, net of staff assessment, over the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

The action to be taken by the General Assembly is provided in section IV of the present report.

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I. Introduction

1. The primary purpose of the first performance report is to identify revised estimates owing to variations in the rates of inflation and exchange, and in the standards and vacancies assumed in the calculation of the initial appropriations. The variations take into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates.

2. The net increase of $15,699,500 for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda results from the technical adjustments shown in tables 2 and 3 below. Table 2 reflects the changes by component and main determining factor, and table 3 reflects the changes by object of expenditure and main determining factors.

3. Explanations of the variations in the costing parameters assumed in the calculation of the initial appropriations are provided in section II. In addition, the annex provides the budgetary assumptions used in the initial appropriations for the biennium 2012-2013 and the rates used in the present report.

4. Section III of the report indicates net adjustments in the amount of $9,972,200, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/238.

5. The revised estimates are summarized in table 1 below.

Table 1
Summary of revised estimates
(Thousands of United States dollars)

		Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates			*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*		
		Increase over initial appropriation			*Increase over initial appropriation*		
International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda	*Initial level*[a]	*Amount*	*Percentage*	*Amount*	*Amount*	*Percentage*	*Amount*
Expenditure (gross)	171 623.1	16 656.2	9.7	188 279.3	10 540.5	6.1	182 163.6
Income	12 087.3	956.7	7.9	13 044.0	568.3	4.7	12 655.6
Total (net)	**159 535.8**	**15 699.5**	**9.8**	**175 235.3**	**9 972.2**	**6.3**	**169 508.0**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/238.

II. Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates

6. The changes resulting from the main determining factors based on the existing budgetary procedures and methodologies are summarized in tables 2 and 3 below.

Table 2
Summary of projected expenditures and income by component and main determining factors
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Component	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
A. Chambers	8 526.9	195.6	143.3	–	–	338.9	8 865.8
B. Office of the Prosecutor	37 063.2	(1 611.1)	5 121.9	(548.7)	59.7	3 021.8	40 085.0
C. Registry	112 106.2	(3 197.0)	12 943.4	127.5	1 808.7	11 682.6	123 788.8
D. Records management and archives	13 926.8	688.6	924.3	–	–	1 612.9	15 539.7
Total expenditure (gross)	**171 623.1**	**(3 923.9)**	**19 132.9**	**(421.2)**	**1 868.4**	**16 656.2**	**188 279.3**
Income							
Staff assessment income	12 087.3	(481.2)	1 199.1	68.9	169.9	956.7	13 044.0
Total (net)	**159 535.8**	**(3 442.7)**	**17 933.8**	**(490.1)**	**1 698.5**	**15 699.5**	**175 235.3**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/238.

Table 3
Summary of projected expenditures by object of expenditure and main determining factors
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
Posts	98 722.5	(6 485.4)	15 688.8	(490.1)	1 698.5	10 411.8	109 134.3
Other staff costs	25 609.0	1 551.8	1 137.7	–	–	2 689.5	28 298.5
Non-staff compensation	7 805.4	195.6	143.5	–	–	339.1	8 144.5
Consultants and experts	255.0	15.6	11.4	–	–	27.0	282.0
Travel of representatives	721.5	–	(0.2)	–	–	(0.2)	721.3
Travel of staff	3 717.0	–	(2.5)	–	–	(2.5)	3 714.5
Contractual services	10 249.9	631.3	462.8	–	–	1 094.1	11 344.0
General operating expenses	7 048.9	389.3	302.1	–	–	691.4	7 740.3
Hospitality	8.0	0.5	0.4	–	–	0.9	8.9
Supplies and materials	2 000.0	123.2	90.4	–	–	213.6	2 213.6
Furniture and equipment	1 647.8	101.5	74.6	–	–	176.1	1 823.9
Improvement of premises	550.8	33.9	24.8	–	–	58.7	609.5
Grants and contributions	1 200.0	–	–	–	–	–	1 200.0

Object of expenditure	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
Staff assessment	12 087.3	(481.2)	1 199.1	68.9	169.9	956.7	13 044.0
Total (gross)	**171 623.1**	**(3 923.9)**	**19 132.9**	**(421.2)**	**1 868.4**	**16 656.2**	**188 279.3**
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Total (net)	**159 535.8**	**(3 442.7)**	**17 933.8**	**(490.1)**	**1 698.5**	**15 699.5**	**175 235.3**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/238.

7. It will be recalled that, in its resolution 66/238, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of post-related recosting for inflation and exchange rate projections to the first performance report on the budget for the biennium 2012-2013, in order to ensure appropriation of post-related costs in line with actual expenditure experience. Accordingly, post-related requirements for inflation and exchange rates in the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013 are at the same level as those in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2010-2011. As set out in section II therefore, the adjustments for posts are based on the actual experience during the year and updated projections compared with those approved in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2010-2011.

8. For non-post-related requirements, the adjustments are based on actual experience during the year and updated projections compared with those foreseen in the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

A. Changes in exchange rates

(Decrease: $3,923,900)

9. The basis for recosting can be either the average operational rates of exchange experienced thus far in the biennium (the averaging method) or the operational rates in effect at the time of recosting (the latest rate). It will be recalled that, in its report on the accounts of the United Nations for the biennium ended 31 December 1995 (A/51/5 (Vol. I), chap. II, para. 110), the Board of Auditors recommended that budgetary assumptions relating to operational exchange rates be based on an averaging method instead of the latest available exchange rates. The Secretary-General had indicated that it would not be advisable to predetermine whether the averaging method or the latest month should be used for budget forecasting and recosting, and that such a decision should be taken at the time of each recosting. This was reported to the General Assembly and agreed to by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (see A/51/7/Add.1-9 and A/51/7/Add.6, para. 5), which indicated that the Secretary-General should use such rates as would allow for the lowest estimates.

10. In the present performance report, the exchange rates realized have been applied to the period from January to October 2012, and the October 2012 exchange rate has been applied to November and December 2012. For 2013, the October 2012 rate (the latest rate) has been applied for the Rwanda franc, whereas the average operational rates of exchange experienced thus far in the biennium (the averaging method) have been applied for the euro and Tanzanian shilling, so as to allow for the lowest estimate in respect of requirements in accordance with established methodology. The decrease of $3,923,900 mainly reflects the net effect of the overall depreciation of the Tanzanian shilling, euro and the Rwanda franc in 2012, compared with the budgeted rates (see figures I-III below). Adjustments resulting from actual experience in 2013 would be implemented in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

Figure I
Performance of the euro against the United States dollar, 2012

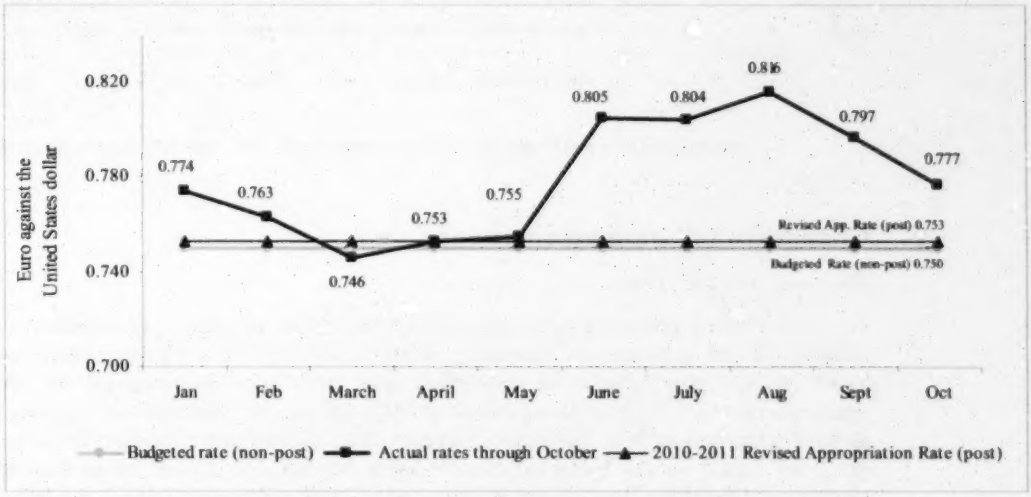


Figure II
Performance of the Rwanda franc against the United States dollar, 2012

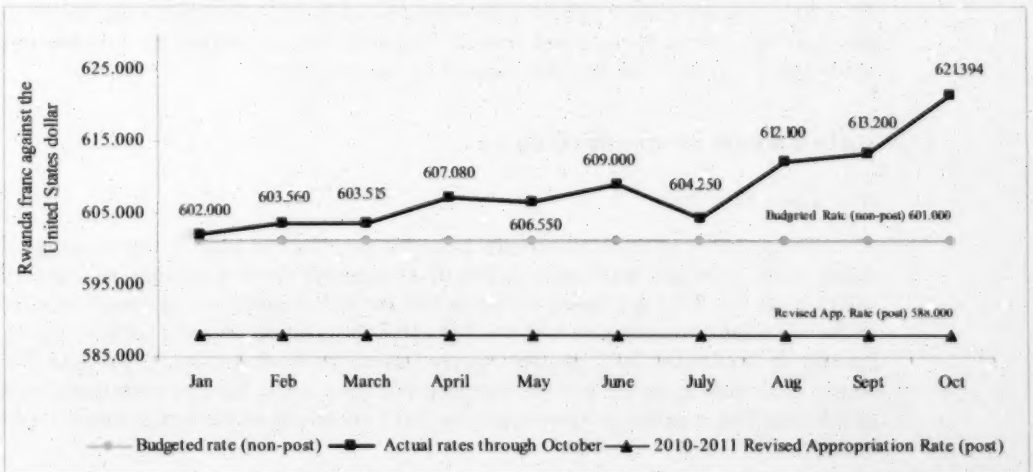
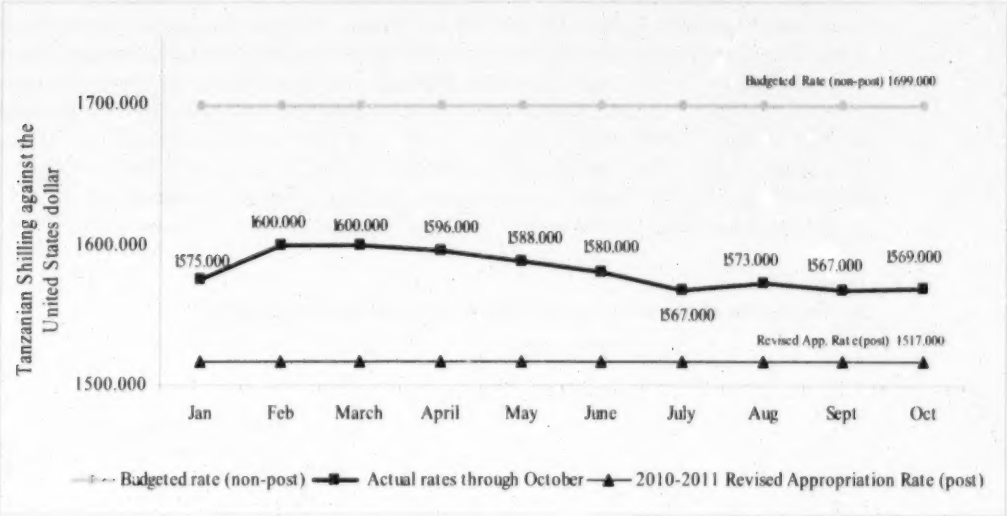


Figure III
Performance of the Tanzanian shilling against the United States dollar, 2012



B. Changes in inflation assumptions

(Increase: $19,132,900)

11. The revised projected inflation rates applied to all objects of expenditure in Arusha (United Republic of Tanzania), Kigali and The Hague (Netherlands) are based on: (a) post adjustment multipliers that have been promulgated by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) for the Professional category and above for the period from January to October 2012 and projections based on ICSC data; (b) actual versus budgeted cost-of-living adjustments based on prevailing market conditions for the General Service and related categories; and (c) the latest available information on consumer price indices as derived from *the Economist* for non-post objects of expenditure.

12. The increase mainly relates to upward cost-of-living adjustments applicable to posts in the General Service and related categories and post adjustment multipliers applicable to posts in the Professional and higher category.

C. Adjustments to standard costs

(Decrease: $421,200)

13. The decrease of $421,200 results from the net effect of adjustments to standard salary costs, common staff costs and staff assessment rates. Revisions to standard salary costs for 2012 are based on the actual payroll averages experienced thus far in the biennium, by category and level at each duty station. For the present report, January to September 2012 monthly payroll averages from Arusha, Kigali and The Hague have been analysed at each category and level and compared with those used in the initial appropriation. Projections for 2013 are based on the trends experienced in 2012.

14. Common staff costs are budgeted as a percentage of net salaries for each duty station. Expenditures under common staff costs relate to allowances and benefits, appointments, transfers and separation of staff. Adjustments to common staff costs are based on the analysis of actual common staff costs experience for all three duty stations during the biennium 2010-2011 as well as the experience from January to September 2012 compared with those assumed in the initial appropriation.

D. Vacancies

(Increase: $1,868,400)

15. The increase of $1,868,400 results from the adjustments to the 2012-2013 vacancy rates, taking into account the experience realized, as reflected in the annex.

III. Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience

16. Section II above identifies adjustments as a result of variations in costing parameters, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates for the biennium 2012-2013. Consequently, the revised estimate based on post-related actual expenditure and updated projected rates is $188,279,300, as reflected in table 5 and will be included in the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.

17. In line with General Assembly resolution 66/238, the revised estimates are based on the post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012, with deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates. Accordingly, the revised estimates amount to $182,163,600. The adjustments resulting from actual experience for the biennium will be reported in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

18. Accordingly, the amount of $69,208,100 under posts for 2012 reflects the actual expenditure experience from January to September, extrapolated to December. It should be noted that the amount excludes the ICSC projections for post adjustments to year end. For 2013, the amount of $46,854,500 under posts reflects the deferred post-related recosting and is therefore at the same level as the initial appropriation. Non-post resources are recosted in accordance with existing practice as detailed in section II above.

Table 4
Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience against the initial appropriation
(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Initial appropriation[a]	*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*	*Increase over initial appropriation*	
			Amount	*Percentage*
Total (gross)	**171 623.1**	**182 163.6**	**10 540.5**	**6.1**
Total (net)	**159 535.8**	**169 508.0**	**9 972.2**	**6.3**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/238.

Table 5
Revised estimates for the biennium 2012-2013
(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates			*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012*			*Variance*		
Object of expenditure	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*[a]	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*
Posts (including staff assessment)	69 271.7	52 906.6	122 178.3	69 208.1[b]	46 854.5[c]	116 062.6	(63.6)	(6 052.1)	(6 115.7)[d]
Non-post	44 638.6	21 462.4	66 101.0	44 638.6	21 462.4	66 101.0	–	–	–
Total (gross)	**113 910.3**	**74 369.0**	**188 279.3**	**113 846.7**	**68 316.9**	**182 163.6**	**(63.6)**	**(6 052.1)**	**(6 115.7)**
Income									
Staff assessment income			13 044.0			12 655.6			(388.4)
Total (net)			**175 235.3**			**169 508.0**			**(5 727.3)**

[a] Will be included in the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.
[b] Based on actual expenditure experience (January to September, extrapolated to December).
[c] At the same level as the initial appropriation.
[d] Post-related deferred recosting.

IV. Action requested of the General Assembly

19. **The General Assembly is requested to take note of the revised level of resources for the biennium 2012-2013 and the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015, as contained in table 5.**

20. **The General Assembly is further requested to decide on the revised estimates, as reflected in table 4, in accordance with resolution 66/238.**

Annex

Budgetary assumptions for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2012-2013

	The Hague				*Arusha*				*Kigali*			
	Initial appropriation		*Present report*		*Initial appropriation*		*Present report*		*Initial appropriation*		*Present report*	
Budget parameters	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*
Rate of exchange[a]	0.750[b]	0.750[b]	0.779	0.779	1 699.000[b]	1 699.000[b]	1 579.417	1 579.417	601.000[b]	601.000[b]	610.453	621.394
Inflation rate (percentage)	2.0	1.8	2.6	2.0	12.0	7.6	15.3	7.6	6.6	6.9	8.5	6.7
Post adjustment multiplier (percentage)	53.53[c]	56.13[c]	49.58	52.10	50.58[c]	58.27[c]	50.37	55.58	54.35[c]	58.90[c]	52.05	53.23
Common staff costs rate (percentage)	35.08	35.08	38.54	38.54	68.82	68.62	64.30	64.30	77.13	77.13	67.64	67.64
Vacancy rates for continuing posts (percentage)												
Professional category and above	9.50	9.50	8.80	8.80	15.10	15.10	15.70	15.70	15.10	15.10	15.70	15.70
General Service and related categories	7.90	7.90	0.20	0.20	8.90	8.90	4.60	4.60	8.90	8.90	4.60	4.60
Vacancy rates for new posts (percentage)												
Professional category and above	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	15.10	15.10	15.70	15.70	15.10	15.10	15.70	15.70
General Service and related categories	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	8.90	8.90	4.60	4.60	8.90	8.90	4.60	4.60

[a] The Hague: euro to United States dollar; Arusha: Tanzanian shilling to United States dollar; Kigali: Rwanda franc to United States dollar.

[b] Budgeted rate for non-post requirements only; posts are at the 2010-2011 revised appropriation rate of 0.753 for 2012 and 2013 for The Hague; 1,438.833 for 2012 and 1,517.000 for 2013 for Arusha; and 579.938 for 2012 and 588.000 for 2013 for Kigali.

[c] Deferred budgeted rate (in accordance with resolution 66/238); the budgeted rate as approved in the revised appropriation for 2010-2011 is 50.73 for 2012 and 52.00 for 2013 for The Hague; 40.80 for 2012 and 39.93 for 2013 for Arusha; and 46.48 for 2012 and 46.62 for 2013 for Kigali.

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Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

First performance report on the budget of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2012-2013

Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The first performance report on the budget of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2012-2013 is submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/239.

As reflected in section II of the present report, the total amount of $290,133,200 gross for revised estimates takes into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates. On this basis, the revised estimates reflect an increase of $7.3 million, net of staff assessment, over the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

It will be recalled that, in the context of the regular budget, the General Assembly, in its resolution 66/246, decided to defer consideration of post-related recosting for inflation and exchange rate projections to the first performance report on the budget for the biennium 2012-2013, in order to ensure appropriation of post-related costs in line with actual expenditure experience. Post-related recosting was similarly deferred pursuant to resolution 66/239, as detailed in the annex thereto. Accordingly, section III of the present report indicates a total amount of $283,067,700 gross for revised estimates, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and the deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates. On that basis, the revised estimates reflect an increase of $1.2 million, net of staff assessment, over the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

The action to be taken by the General Assembly is provided in section IV of the present report.

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I. Introduction

1. The primary purpose of the first performance report is to identify revised estimates owing to variations in the rates of inflation and exchange and in the standards and vacancies assumed in the calculation of the initial appropriations. The variations take into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates.

2. The net increase of $7,288,800 for the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia results from the technical adjustments shown in tables 2 and 3 below. Table 2 reflects the changes by component and main determining factor, and table 3 reflects the changes by object of expenditure and main determining factors.

3. Explanations of the variations in the costing parameters assumed in the calculation of the initial appropriations are provided in section II. In addition, the annex provides the budgetary assumptions used in the initial appropriations for the biennium 2012-2013 and the rates used in the present report.

4. Section III of the report shows net adjustments in the amount of $1,222,100 taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/239.

5. The revised estimates are summarized in table 1 below.

Table 1
Summary of revised estimates
(Thousands of United States dollars)

		Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates			*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*		
		Increase over initial appropriation			*Increase over initial appropriation*		
International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia	*Initial level*[a]	*Amount*	*Percentage*	*Amount*	*Amount*	*Percentage*	*Amount*
Expenditure (gross)	281 036.1	9 097.1	3.2	290 133.2	2 031.6	0.7	283 067.7
Income	30 521.3	1 808.3	5.9	32 329.6	809.5	2.7	31 330.8
Total (net)	**250 514.8**	**7 288.8**	**2.9**	**257 803.6**	**1 222.1**	**0.5**	**251 736.9**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/239.

II. Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates

6. The changes resulting from the main determining factors based on the existing budgetary procedures and methodologies are summarized in tables 2 and 3 below.

Table 2
Summary of projected expenditures and income by component and main determining factors
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Component	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
A. Chambers	12 076.5	(79.3)	10.3	–	–	(69.0)	12 007.5
B. Office of the Prosecutor	57 804.1	(1 907.4)	1 642.6	1 234.4	744.5	1 714.1	59 518.2
C. Registry	208 449.3	(6 930.3)	5 345.7	4 718.7	4 393.5	7 527.6	215 976.9
D. Records management and archives	2 706.2	(96.0)	20.4	–	–	(75.6)	2 630.6
Total expenditure (gross)	**281 036.1**	**(9 013.0)**	**7 019.0**	**5 953.1**	**5 138.0**	**9 097.1**	**290 133.2**
Income							
Staff assessment income	30 221.8	(778.7)	1 096.4	526.5	964.1	1 808.3	32 030.1
Other income	299.5	–	–	–	–	–	299.5
Total (net)	**250 514.8**	**(8 234.3)**	**5 922.6**	**5 426.6**	**4 173.9**	**7 288.8**	**257 803.6**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/239.

Table 3
Summary of projected expenditures by object of expenditure and main determining factors
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
Posts	105 213.6	(3 541.0)	5 303.0	5 426.6	4 173.9	11 362.5	116 576.1
Other staff costs	55 950.4	(2 003.8)	257.0	–	–	(1 746.7)	54 203.7
Non-staff compensation	11 863.7	(78.3)	10.2	–	–	(68.1)	11 795.6
Consultants	478.6	(16.9)	2.2	–	–	(14.7)	463.9
Experts	255.5	(9.1)	1.2	–	–	(7.9)	247.6
Travel of staff	4 110.0	–	(2.1)	–	–	(2.1)	4 107.9
Contractual services	40 920.4	(1 451.1)	198.6	–	–	(1 252.5)	39 667.9
General operating expenses	27 290.5	(967.8)	130.7	–	–	(837.1)	26 453.4
Hospitality	17.1	(0.6)	–	–	–	(0.6)	16.5
Supplies and materials	1 563.2	(55.3)	7.6	–	–	(47.7)	1 515.5
Furniture and equipment	2 738.7	(97.5)	12.3	–	–	(85.2)	2 653.5
Improvement of premises	362.6	(12.9)	1.8	–	–	(11.1)	351.5
Grants and contributions	50.0	–	–	–	–	–	50.0
Staff assessment	30 221.8	(778.7)	1 096.4	526.5	964.1	1 808.3	32 030.1
Total (gross)	**281 036.1**	**(9 013.0)**	**7 019.0**	**5 953.1**	**5 138.0**	**9 097.1**	**290 133.2**

Object of expenditure	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
Income							
Staff assessment income	30 221.8	(778.7)	1 096.4	526.5	964.1	1 808.3	32 030.1
Other income	299.5	–	–	–	–	–	299.5
Total (net)	**250 514.8**	**(8 234.3)**	**5 922.6**	**5 426.6**	**4 173.9**	**7 288.8**	**257 803.6**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/239.

7. It will be recalled that, in its resolution 66/239, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of post-related recosting for inflation and exchange rate projections to the first performance report on the budget for the biennium 2012-2013, in order to ensure appropriation of post-related costs in line with actual expenditure experience. Accordingly, post-related requirements for inflation and exchange rates in the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013 are at the same level as those in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2010-2011. As set out in section II, therefore, the adjustments for posts are based on the actual experience during the year and updated projections compared with those approved in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2010-2011.

8. For non-post-related requirements, the adjustments are based on actual experience during the year and updated projections compared with those foreseen in the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

A. Changes in exchange rates

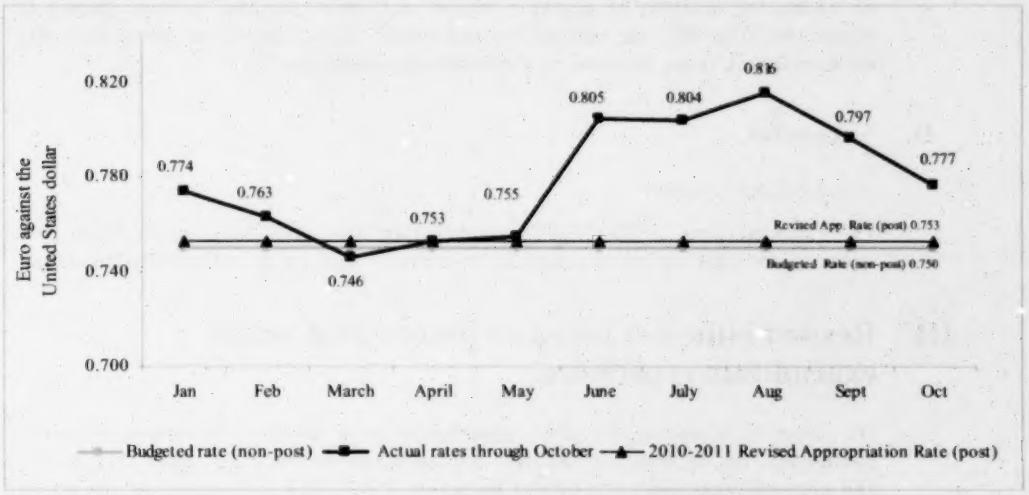
(Decrease: $9,013,000)

9. The basis for recosting can be either the average operational rates of exchange experienced thus far in the biennium (the averaging method) or the operational rates in effect at the time of recosting (the latest rate). It will be recalled that, in its report on the accounts of the United Nations for the biennium ended 31 December 1995 (A/51/5 (Vol. I), chap. II, para. 110), the Board of Auditors recommended that budgetary assumptions relating to operational exchange rates be based on an averaging method instead of the latest available exchange rates. The Secretary-General had indicated that it would not be advisable to predetermine whether the averaging method or the latest month should be used for budget forecasting and recosting and that such a decision should be taken at the time of each recosting. This was reported to the General Assembly and agreed to by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (see A/51/7/Add.1-9 and A/51/7/Add.6, para. 5), which indicated that the Secretary-General should use such rates as would allow for the lowest estimates.

10. In the present performance report, the exchange rates realized have been applied to the period from January to October 2012, and the October 2012 exchange rate has been applied to November and December 2012. For 2013, the average 2012 rate has been applied, so as to allow for the lowest estimate in respect of requirements in accordance with the established methodology. The decrease of $9,013,000 reflects an overall depreciation of the euro in 2012 compared with the budgeted rates (see figure

below). Adjustments resulting from actual experience in 2013 would be implemented in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

Figure
Performance of the euro against the United States dollar, 2012



B. Changes in inflation assumptions

(Increase: $7,019,000)

11. The revised projected inflation rates applied to all objects of expenditure in The Hague (Netherlands) are based on: (a) post adjustment multipliers that have been promulgated by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) for staff in the Professional category and above for the period from January to October 2012 and projections based on the Commission's data; (b) actual versus budgeted cost-of-living adjustments based on prevailing market conditions for the General Service and related categories; and (c) the latest information available on consumer price indices as derived from *The Economist* for non-post objects of expenditure.

12. The increase mainly relates to upward cost-of-living adjustments applicable to posts in the General Service and related categories and to post adjustment multipliers applicable to posts in the Professional and higher category.

C. Adjustments to standard costs

(Increase: $5,953,100)

13. The increase of $5,953,100 results from the net effect of adjustments to standard salary costs, common staff costs and staff assessment rates. Revisions to standard salary costs for 2012 are based on the actual payroll averages experienced thus far in the biennium, by category and level. For the present report, the Tribunal's monthly payroll averages from January to September 2012 have been analysed for

each category and level and compared with those used in the initial appropriation. Projections for 2013 are based on the trends experienced in 2012.

14. Common staff costs are budgeted as a percentage of net salaries for each duty station. Expenditures under common staff costs relate to allowances and benefits, appointments, transfers and separation of staff. Adjustment to common staff costs is based on the analysis of actual common staff costs for the Tribunal during the biennium 2010-2011 as well as the experience from January to September 2012 compared with those assumed in the initial appropriation.

D. Vacancies

(Increase: $5,138,000)

15. The increase of $5,138,000 results from the adjustments to the 2012-2013 vacancy rates, taking into account the experience realized, as reflected in the annex.

III. Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience

16. Section II above identifies adjustments as a result of variations in costing parameters, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates for the biennium 2012-2013. Consequently, the revised estimate based on post-related actual expenditure and updated projected rates is $290,133,200, as reflected in table 5, and will be included in the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.

17. In line with General Assembly resolution 66/239, the revised estimates are based on the post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012, with deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates. Accordingly, the revised estimates amount to $251,736,900. The adjustments resulting from actual experience for the biennium will be reported in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

18. Accordingly, the amount of $72,408,700 under posts for 2012 reflects the actual expenditure experience from January to September, extrapolated to December. For 2013, the amount of $69,132,000 under posts reflects the deferred post-related recosting and is therefore at the same level as the initial appropriation. Non-post resources are recosted in accordance with existing practice as detailed in section II above.

Table 4
Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience against the initial appropriation
(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Initial appropriation[a]	*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*	*Increase over initial appropriation*	
			Amount	*Percentage*
Total (gross)	**281 036.1**	**283 067.7**	**2 031.6**	**0.7**
Total (net)	**250 514.8**	**251 736.9**	**1 222.1**	**0.5**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/239.

Table 5
Revised estimates for the biennium 2012-2013
(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates			*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*			*Variance*		
Object of expenditures	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*[a]	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*
Posts (including staff assessment)	72 408.7	76 197.5	148 606.2	72 408.7[b]	69 132.0[c]	141 540.7	–	(7 065.5)	(7 065.5)[d]
Non-post	76 879.9	64 647.1	141 527.0	76 879.9	64 647.1	141 527.0	–	–	–
Total (gross)	**149 288.6**	**140 844.6**	**290 133.2**	**149 288.6**	**133 779.1**	**283 067.7**	–	**(7 065.5)**	**(7 065.5)**
Income									
Staff assessment income			32 030.1			31 031.3			(998.8)
Other income			299.5			299.5			–
Total (net)			**257 803.6**			**251 736.9**			**(6 066.7)**

[a] Will be included in the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.
[b] Based on actual expenditure experience (January to September extrapolated to December).
[c] At the same level as the initial appropriation.
[d] Post-related deferred recosting.

IV. Action to be taken by the General Assembly

19. **The General Assembly is requested to take note of the revised level of resources for the biennium 2012-2013 and the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015, as contained in table 5.**

20. **The General Assembly is further requested to decide on the revised estimates, as reflected in table 4, in accordance with resolution 66/239.**

Annex

Budgetary assumptions: International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2012-2013

	Initial appropriation		*Present report*	
Budget parameters	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*
Rate of exchange[a]	0.750[b]	0.750[b]	0.779	0.779
Inflation rate (percentage)	2.0	1.8	2.6	2.0
Post adjustment multiplier (percentage)	53.53[c]	56.13[c]	49.58	52.10
Common staff costs rate (percentage)	35.08	35.08	38.54	38.54
Vacancy rates for continuing posts				
Professional category and above (percentage)	9.50	9.50	8.80	8.80
General Service and related categories (percentage)	7.90	7.90	0.20	0.20
Vacancy rates for new posts				
Professional category and above (percentage)	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
General Service and related categories (percentage)	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00

[a] Euro to United States dollar.

[b] Budgeted rate for non-posts only; posts are at the 2010-2011 revised appropriation rate of 0.753 for 2012 and 2013.

[c] Deferred budgeted rate (in accordance with resolution 66/239); the budgeted rate as approved in the revised appropriation for 2010-2011 is 50.73 for 2012 and 52.00 for 2013.

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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The first performance report on the budget of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2012-2013 is submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/240 A.

As reflected in section II of the present report, the total amount of $54,756,700 gross for revised estimates takes into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates. On this basis, the revised estimates reflect an increase of $4.6 million, net of staff assessment, over the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

It will be recalled that, in the context of the regular budget, the General Assembly, in its resolution 66/246, decided to defer consideration of post-related recosting for inflation and exchange rate projections to the first performance report on the budget for the biennium 2012-2013, in order to ensure appropriation of post-related costs in line with actual expenditure experience. Post-related recosting was similarly deferred pursuant to resolution 66/240 A, as detailed in the annex thereto. Accordingly, section III of the present report indicates a total amount of $53,676,500 gross for revised estimates taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and the deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates. On that basis, the revised estimates reflect an increase of $3.8 million, net of staff assessment, over the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

The action to be taken by the General Assembly is provided in section IV of the present report.

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I. Introduction

1. The primary purpose of the first performance report is to identify revised estimates owing to variations in the rates of inflation and exchange and in the standards and vacancies assumed in the calculation of the initial appropriations. The variations take into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates.

2. The net increase of $4,583,600 for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals results from the technical adjustments shown in tables 2 and 3 below. Table 2 reflects the changes by component and main determining factor, and table 3 reflects the changes by object of expenditure and main determining factors.

3. Explanations of the variations in the costing parameters assumed in the calculation of the initial appropriations are provided in section II. In addition, the annex provides the budgetary assumptions used in the initial appropriations for the biennium 2012-2013 and the rates used in the present report.

4. Section III of the report indicates net adjustments in the amount of $3,760,500, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/240 A.

5. The revised estimates are summarized in table 1 below.

Table 1
Summary of revised estimates
(Thousands of United States dollars)

		Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates			*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*		
		Increase over initial appropriation			*Increase over initial appropriation*		
International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals	*Initial level*[a]	*Amount*	*Percentage*	*Amount*	*Amount*	*Percentage*	*Amount*
Expenditure (gross)	49 771.7	4 985.0	10.0	54 756.7	3 904.8	7.8	53 676.5
Income	2 446.6	401.4	16.4	2 848.0	144.3	5.9	2 590.9
Total (net)	**47 325.1**	**4 583.6**	**9.7**	**51 908.7**	**3 760.5**	**7.9**	**51 085.6**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/240 A.

II. Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates

6. The changes resulting from the main determining factors based on the existing budgetary procedures and methodologies are summarized in tables 2 and 3 below.

Table 2
Summary of projected expenditures and income by component and main determining factors
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Component	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
A. Chambers	3 647.2	205.3	150.5	–	–	355.8	4 003.0
B. Office of the Prosecutor	6 814.8	(107.1)	793.8	(7.3)	37.8	717.2	7 532.0
C. Registry	35 923.1	1 136.0	2 420.3	(32.0)	30.5	3 554.8	39 477.9
D. Records management and archives	3 386.6	(249.9)	496.3	58.2	52.6	357.2	3 743.8
Total expenditure (gross)	**49 771.7**	**984.3**	**3 860.9**	**18.9**	**120.9**	**4 985.0**	**54 756.7**
Income							
Staff assessment income	2 446.6	(138.5)	518.9	11.4	9.6	401.4	2 848.0
Total (net)	**47 325.1**	**1 122.8**	**3 342.0**	**7.5**	**111.3**	**4 583.6**	**51 908.7**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/240 A.

Table 3
Summary of projected expenditures by object of expenditure and main determining factors
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
Posts	9 403.5	(904.3)	1 830.9	7.5	111.3	1 045.4	10 448.9
Other staff costs	18 768.9	1 101.5	808.7	–	–	1 910.2	20 679.1
Non-staff compensation	3 335.8	205.3	150.7	–	–	356.0	3 691.8
Consultants and experts	140.3	8.7	6.2	–	–	14.9	155.2
Travel of representatives	311.4	–	(0.2)	–	–	(0.2)	311.2
Travel	2 339.1	–	(1.0)	–	–	(1.0)	2 338.1
Contractual services	4 187.4	249.4	185.8	–	–	435.2	4 622.6
General operating expenses	3 663.5	157.4	137.4	–	–	294.8	3 958.3
Supplies and materials	483.9	29.8	21.9	–	–	51.7	535.6
Furniture and equipment	1 079.0	66.5	48.6	–	–	115.1	1 194.1
Improvement of premises	3 385.3	208.5	153.0	–	–	361.5	3 746.8

Object of expenditure	*2012-2013 appropriation*[a]	*Projected changes*					*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates*
		Exchange rate	*Inflation*	*Standard costs*	*Vacancies*	*Total*	
Grants and contributions	227.0	–	–	–	–	–	227.0
Staff assessment	2 446.6	(138.5)	518.9	11.4	9.6	401.4	2 848.0
Total (gross)	**49 771.7**	**984.3**	**3 860.9**	**18.9**	**120.9**	**4 985.0**	**54 756.7**
Income							
Staff assessment income	2 446.6	(138.5)	518.9	11.4	9.6	401.4	2 848.0
Total (net)	**47 325.1**	**1 122.8**	**3 342.0**	**7.5**	**111.3**	**4 583.6**	**51 908.7**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/240 A.

7. It will be recalled that, in its resolution 66/240 A, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of post-related recosting for inflation and exchange rate projections to the first performance report on the budget for the biennium 2012-2013, in order to ensure appropriation of post-related costs in line with actual expenditure experience. Accordingly, post-related requirements for inflation and exchange rates in the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013 are at the same level as those in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2010-2011. As set out in section II therefore, the adjustments for posts are based on the actual experience during the year and updated projections compared with those approved in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2010-2011.

8. For non-post-related requirements, the adjustments are based on actual experience during the year and updated projections compared with those foreseen in the initial appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013.

A. Changes in exchange rates

(Increase: $984,300)

9. The basis for recosting can be either the average operational rates of exchange experienced thus far in the biennium (the averaging method) or the operational rates in effect at the time of recosting (the latest rate). It will be recalled that, in its report on the accounts of the United Nations for the biennium ended 31 December 1995 (A/51/5 (Vol. I), chap. II, para. 110), the Board of Auditors recommended that budgetary assumptions relating to operational exchange rates be based on an averaging method instead of the latest available exchange rates. The Secretary-General had indicated that it would not be advisable to predetermine whether the averaging method or the latest month should be used for budget forecasting and recosting and that such a decision should be taken at the time of each recosting. This was reported to the General Assembly and agreed to by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (see A/51/7/Add.1-9 and A/51/7/Add.6, para. 5), which indicated that the Secretary-General should use such rates as would allow for the lowest estimates.

10. In the present performance report, the exchange rates realized have been applied to the period from January to October 2012, and the October 2012 exchange rate has been applied to November and December 2012. For 2013, the average operational rates of exchange experienced thus far in the biennium (the averaging method) have been applied for the euro and Tanzanian shilling, so as to allow for the lowest estimate in respect of requirements in accordance with established methodology. The increase of $984,300 mainly relates to overall appreciation of the Tanzanian shilling in 2012, compared with the budgeted rate for non-posts (see figures I and II below). Adjustments resulting from actual experience in 2013 would be implemented in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

Figure I

Performance of the euro against the United States dollar, 2012

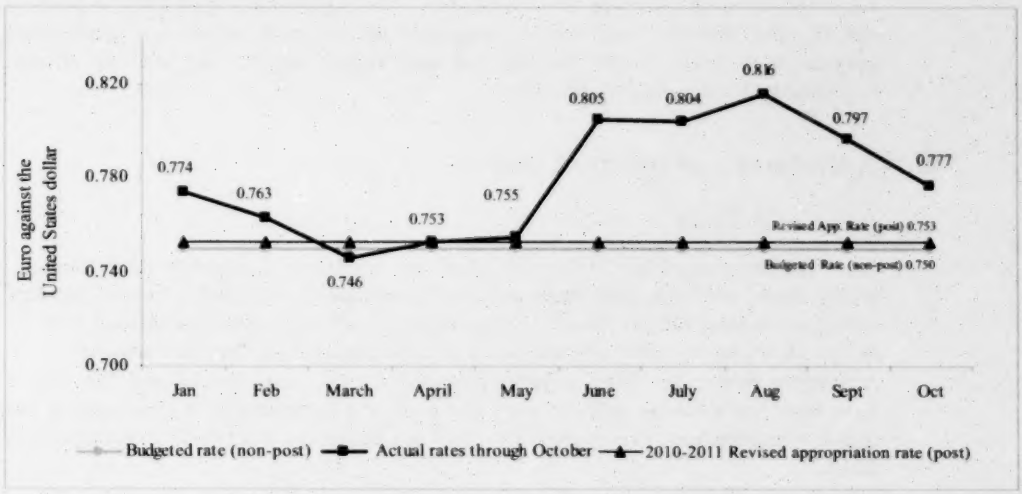
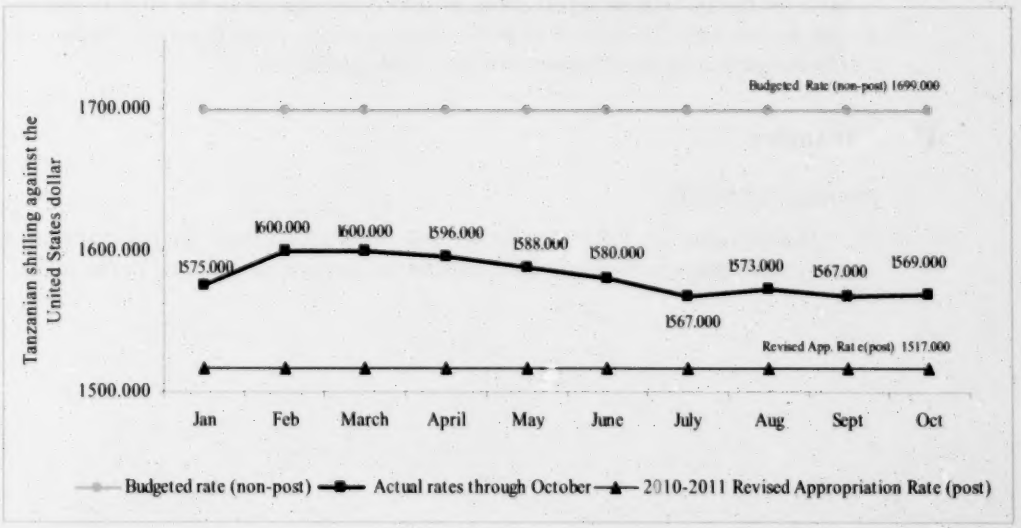


Figure II

Performance of the Tanzanian shilling against the United States dollar, 2012



B. Changes in inflation assumptions

(Increase: $3,860,900)

11. The revised projected inflation rates applied to all objects of expenditure in Arusha (United Republic of Tanzania) and The Hague (Netherlands) are based on: (a) post adjustment multipliers that have been promulgated by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) for the Professional category and above for the period from January to October 2012 and projections based on ICSC data; (b) actual versus budgeted cost-of-living adjustments based on prevailing market conditions for the General Service and related categories; and (c) the latest available information on consumer price indices as derived from *The Economist* for non-post objects of expenditure.

12. The increase relates to upward cost-of-living adjustments applicable to posts in the General Service and related categories and to post adjustment multipliers applicable to posts in the Professional and higher category as well as upward adjustments to non-post object codes.

C. Adjustments to standard costs

(Increase: $18,900)

13. The increase of $18,900 results from the net effect of adjustments to standard salary costs, common staff costs and staff assessment rates. Revisions to standard salary costs for 2012 are based on the actual payroll averages experienced thus far in the biennium, by category and level at each duty station. For the present report, January to September 2012 monthly payroll averages from Arusha and The Hague have been analysed for each category and level and compared with those used in the initial appropriation. Projections for 2013 are based on the trends experienced in 2012.

14. Common staff costs are budgeted as a percentage of net salaries for each duty station. Expenditures under common staff costs relate to allowances and benefits, appointments, transfers and separation of staff. Adjustments to common staff costs is based on the analysis of actual common staff costs experience for all duty stations during the biennium 2010-2011 as well as the experience from January to September 2012 compared with those assumed in the initial appropriation.

D. Vacancies

(Increase: $120,900)

15. The increase of $120,900 results from the adjustments to the 2012-2013 vacancy rates, taking into account the experience realized, as reflected in the annex.

III. Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience

16. Section II above identifies adjustments as a result of variations in costing parameters, taking into account post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012 and updated projected rates for the biennium 2012-2013. Consequently, the revised estimate based on post-related actual expenditure and updated projected rates is $54,756,700, as reflected in table 4, and will be included in the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.

17. In line with General Assembly resolution 66/240 A, the revised estimates are based on the post-related actual expenditure experience in 2012, with deferral of post-related recosting for updated projected rates. Accordingly, the revised estimates amount to $53,676,500. The adjustments resulting from actual experience for the biennium will be reported in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

18. Accordingly, the amount of $4,474,200 under posts for 2012 reflects the actual expenditure experience from January to September, extrapolated to December. It should be noted that the amount excludes the ICSC projections for post adjustments to year end. For 2013, the amount of $7,742,500 under posts reflects the deferred post-related recosting and is therefore at the same level as the initial appropriation. Non-post resources are recosted in accordance with existing practice as detailed in section II above.

Table 4
Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience against the initial appropriation
(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Initial appropriation[a]	*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*	*Increase over initial appropriation*	
			Amount	*Percentage*
Total (gross)	**49 771.7**	**53 676.5**	**3 904.8**	**7.8**
Total (net)	**47 325.1**	**51 085.6**	**3 760.5**	**7.9**

[a] As approved in resolution 66/240 A.

Table 5

Revised estimates for the biennium 2012-2013

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience and updated projected rates			*Revised estimates based on post-related actual expenditure experience*			*Variance*		
Object of expenditure	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*[a]	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012-2013*
Posts (including staff assessment)	4 481.8	8 815.1	13 296.9	4 474.2[b]	7 742.5[c]	12 216.7	(7.6)	(1 072.6)	(1 080.2)[d]
Non-post	20 036.5	21 423.3	41 459.8	20 036.5	21 423.3	41 459.8	–	–	–
Total (gross)	**24 518.3**	**30 238.4**	**54 756.7**	**24 510.7**	**29 165.8**	**53 676.5**	**(7.6)**	**(1 072.6)**	**(1 080.2)**
Income									
Staff assessment income			2 848.0			2 590.9			(257.1)
Total (net)			**51 908.7**			**51 085.6**			**(823.1)**

[a] Will be included in the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.
[b] Based on actual expenditure experience (January to September, extrapolated to December).
[c] At the same level as the initial appropriation.
[d] Post-related deferred recosting.

IV. Action requested of the General Assembly

19. **The General Assembly is requested to take note of the revised level of resources for the biennium 2012-2013 and the base for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015, as contained in table 5.**

20. **The General Assembly is further requested to decide on the revised estimates, as reflected in table 4, in accordance with resolution 66/240 A.**

Annex

Budgetary assumptions for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2012-2013

	The Hague				*Arusha*			
	Initial appropriation		*Present report*		*Initial appropriation*		*Present report*	
Budget parameters	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*	*2012*	*2013*
Rate of exchange[a]	0.750[b]	0.750[b]	0.779	0.779	1 699.000[b]	1 699.000[b]	1 579.417	1 579.417
Inflation rate (percentage)	2.0	1.8	2.6	2.0	12.0	7.6	15.3	7.6
Post adjustment multiplier (percentage)	53.53[c]	56.13[c]	49.58	52.10	50.58[c]	58.27[c]	50.37	55.58
Common staff costs rate (percentage)	35.08	35.08	38.54	38.54	68.82	68.62	64.30	64.30
Vacancy rates for continuing posts (percentage)								
Professional category and above	9.50	9.50	8.80	8.80	15.10	15.10	15.70	15.70
General Service and related categories	7.90	7.90	0.20	0.20	8.90	8.90	4.60	4.60
Vacancy rates for new posts (percentage)								
Professional category and above	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	15.10	15.10	15.70	15.70
General Service and related categories	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	8.90	8.90	4.60	4.60

[a] The Hague: euro to United States dollar; Arusha: Tanzanian shilling to United States dollar.

[b] Budgeted rate for non-post requirements only; posts are at the 2010-2011 revised appropriation rate of 0.753 for 2012 and 2013 for The Hague; and 1,438.833 for 2012 and 1,517.000 for 2013 for Arusha.

[c] Deferred budgeted rate (in accordance with resolution 66/240 A); the budgeted rate as approved in the revised appropriation for 2010-2011 is 50.73 for 2012 and 52.00 for 2013 for The Hague; and 40.80 for 2012 and 39.93 for 2013 for Arusha.

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On behalf of my Government, in its capacity as Chair of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, I have the honour to transmit a joint communiqué dated 21 November 2012, issued following a meeting of the Heads of State and Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Rwanda and Uganda to address the security and humanitarian situation in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (see annex).

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 33, and of the Security Council.

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Joint communiqué

Kampala, 21 November 2012

President Yoweri Musevini of Uganda, Chair of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, President Paul Kagame of Rwanda and President Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo have been in a closed meeting in Kampala since the evening of Tuesday, 20 November.

The three Heads of State have discussed how to address the deteriorating security and humanitarian situation in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo after the capture of Goma, the capital of North Kivu Province by the M23 rebel group.

In solidarity with the Congolese people, President Museveni and President Kagame made it clear that even if there were legitimate grievances by the mutinying group known as M23, they cannot accept the expansion of this war or entertain the idea of overthrowing the legitimate Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo or undermining its authority. Therefore, the M23 rebel group must immediately stop its offensive, and pull out of Goma. A plan to that end has been communicated to them.

The Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, for its part, has made a commitment to look expeditiously into the causes of discontent and to address them as best as it can.

Furthermore, a comprehensive and operational plan geared towards lasting peace and stability will be drawn up as a matter of urgency.

The three Heads of State welcomed the support of the Secretary-General of the United Nations who dispatched a personal emissary to meet them and discuss the matter.